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December 20, 2001

Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of an Assignment and Assumption Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2001, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed relates to the documents previously filed with the Board under Recordation Number 23004.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Seller/Assignor:

Bank Austria Creditanstalt Holdings Corporation 2 Greenwich Plaza Greenwich, CT 06830

Buyer/Assignee:

The Grand Leasing Partnership, LLP

c/o Railroad Leasing Limited

Queensgate House South Church Street

Georgetown, Grand Cayman

Cayman Islands

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

76 railcars BCAX 200 - BCAX 275

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Memorandum of Assignment and Assumption Agreement

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$28.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Alvord

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

EXECUTION VERSION

Assignment and Assumption Agreement

This Assignment and Assumption Agreement dated as of December 20, 2001 (this "Agreement"), is between Bank Austria Creditanstalt Holdings Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Seller"), and The Grand Leasing Partnership, LLP, a Delaware limited liability partnership (the "Buyer").

Witnesseth:

WHEREAS, the Buyer and the Seller have entered into that certain Purchase Agreement (U.S. INTOL RAIL III) dated as of December 20, 2001 (the "Purchase Agreement"), providing for the purchase of the Ownership Interest by the Buyer from the Seller, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Purchase Agreement contemplates the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Seller and the Buyer on the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows.

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in Section 4 of this Agreement.
- 2. <u>Assignment.</u> Effective as to each item of Equipment on the Closing Date, the Seller sells to the Buyer all of the Seller's rights, title and interest, except as reserved under Section 2.1 of the Purchase Agreement, in and to such item and assigns to the Buyer all of the Seller's rights and obligations, except to the extent constituting Existing Obligations, under each of the following as they relate to such item:
 - (a) the Lease;
 - (b) Lease Supplement No. 1 to Railcar Equipment Lease dated as of July 10, 2000, between Seller and Lessee;
 - (c) Memorandum of Lease Agreement made as of July 10, 2000, between Seller and Lessee d/b/a Blue Circle Cement;
 - (d) Certificate of Acceptance dated as of July 10, 2000, covering 76 New 3281 cubic foot twin covered hopper railcars manufactured by Trinity Industries, Inc., reporting marks BCAX 200 BCAX 275 inclusive;

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- (e) Surface Transportation Board, recordation of 76 railcars BCAX 200 BCAX 275, Washington D.C.;
- (f) Consent and Agreement dated as of the 10th of July, 2000 by Trinity Industries, Inc. and Lessee;
- (g) Bill of Sale dated as of July 6, 2000, by Trinity Industries, Inc. in favor of Seller; and
- (h) Assignment of Purchase Agreement dated as of July 10, 2000, between Lessee and Seller (collectively, the "Assigned Operative Agreements").

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Seller shall continue to be entitled to the benefit of any rights to indemnification for tax and other matters which arose or may arise from or be related to any event or circumstance occurring or in existence prior to the Closing Date, as specified in the Purchase Agreement.

- Acceptance of Assignment; Assumption of Obligations; Effect of Assignment. The Buyer accepts the assignment contained in Section 2 hereof and, in respect of the period on and after the Closing Date, assumes all obligations of the Seller under, and agrees to be bound to the same extent as the Seller by all the terms of, the Assigned Operative Agreements. Effective on and after the Closing Date, the Buyer shall be deemed to stand in the place of the Seller for all purposes under the Assigned Operative Agreements and each reference in the Assigned Operative Agreements to the Seller shall be deemed to mean the Buyer. The Seller, in respect of the period on and after the Closing Date, is released of all obligations of the lessor under the Assigned Operative Agreements, except to the extent constituting Existing Obligations.
- 4. <u>Definitions</u>. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below whenever used in this Agreement (terms defined in the singular to have a correlative meaning when used in the plural and vice versa).

<u>Bill of Sale</u>: as to any one or more items of Equipment, a bill of sale in the form of Exhibit 1 hereto.

<u>Closing Date</u>: as to any one or more items of Equipment and related Ownership Interest, the date of the Bill of Sale with respect thereto.

<u>Equipment</u>: the items of equipment listed on Exhibit A hereto, together with each and every part, accessory, component and any equipment installed therein or attached thereto owned by the Seller (individually such railcars shall be referred to as an "item" or "items of Equipment").

<u>Existing Obligations</u>: any and all liabilities and obligations of Seller under the Ownership Interest, including the Assigned Operative Agreements, or otherwise relating to the Equipment in each such case, to the extent arising or occurring prior to the Closing

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Date (whether or not asserted or assessed), and, with respect to the obligations, to have been performed by Seller prior to the Closing Date.

<u>Lease</u>: Railcar Equipment Lease dated as of July 10, 2000, entered into by and between Seller, as lessor and Lessee, as lessee, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.

Lessee: Blue Circle Inc.

Ownership Interest: the Seller's rights, title and interest in and to the Equipment and the Seller's rights and obligations under the Assigned Operative Agreements, except the Existing Obligations.

- 5. <u>Amendments.</u> No provision of this Agreement may be amended, modified or waived except by written agreement duly executed by each of the parties hereto.
- 6. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests or other communications to or upon any party hereto in connection herewith shall be given in the manner prescribed by Section 9.5 of the Purchase Agreement.
- 7. <u>Headings</u>. The section headings used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be used or construed to define, interpret, expand or limit any provision hereof.
- 8. <u>Counterparts.</u> This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- 9. <u>Governing Law.</u> This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the internal substantive laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to the conflict of law rules thereof, other than Section 5-1401 of the New York General Obligations Law.
- 10. <u>Recordation</u>. The Seller and the Buyer agree to record this Agreement with the Surface Transportation Board to evidence the assignment by the Seller to the Buyer of the Seller's rights and obligations under the Lease, if and only if the Lease has been recorded with the Surface Transportation Board.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment and Assumption Agreement has been duly executed by the parties hereto as of the date first above written.

HOLDINGS CORPORATION, as Seller
By: Name: Richard Pankuch Title: Vice President
By: Name: Alexandre Nouvakhov Title: Vice President
THE GRAND LEASING PARTNERSHIP, LLP, as Buyer
By: RAILROAD LEASING LIMITED, its General Partner
By: Name: Title:

BANK AUSTRIA CREDITANSTALT

State of New York) County of New York)	
County of New York)	
On this, the 17th day of December, 2001, before me, a l	Notary Public in and for said
County and State, personally appeared Richard Pankuch	
<u>Vice President</u> and <u>Alexandre Nouvakhoy the Vice F</u> Austria Creditanstalt Holdings Corporation, who acknowledged th	emselves to be a duly
authorized officers of Bank Austria Creditanstalt Holdings Corpor	
being authorized to do so, he/she executed the foregoing instrumer contained.	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF. I have hereunto set my hand and offici	al seal on the date above
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HOLDINGS CORPORATION, as Seller By: Name: Title: By: Name: Title: THE GRAND LEASING PARTNERSHIP, LLP, as Buyer By: RAILROAD LEASING LIMITED, its General Partner By: Name: Michael Lypka

Title: Attorney-in-fact

BANK AUSTRIA CREDITANSTALT

State of New York)
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County of New York)

On this, the 17th day of December, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Michael Lypka, Attorney-in-fact of Railroad Leasing Limited, who acknowledged himself to be a duly authorized officer of the General Partner of The Grand Leasing Partnership, LLP, and that, as such officer, being authorized to do so, he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

PATRICIA A. WAGES
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01WA6051049
Qualified In Queens County
Commission Expires November 13, 2002

Exhibit 1 (to Assignment and Assumption Agreement)

Bill of Sale

and sufficiency of which are hereby ack Corporation ("Seller"), does hereby sell LLP ("Buyer") all of Seller's rights, title A hereto (the "Equipment"), subject to the sub	, 2001, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt cnowledged, Bank Austria Creditanstalt Holdings , transfer and assign to The Grand Leasing Partnership, and interest in and to the equipment described in Exhibit the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement dated reement") and the Assignment and Assumption between Seller and Buyer.
delivery of the Equipment, Seller had leg Equipment, and the Equipment was free	so Buyer and its successors and assigns that at the time of gal title thereto and good and lawful right to sell the e and clear of all Liens (as defined in the Purchase Section 3.3 of the Purchase Agreement.
	BANK AUSTRIA CREDITANSTALT HOLDINGS CORPORATION
	By: Name:

Exhibit A (to Bill of Sale and to Assignment and Assumption Agreement)

EQUIPMENT

Seventy six (76) 3,281 CF twin covered hopper railcars bearing reporting marks as follows:

 $BCAX\ 200-275$, inclusive.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice in the State of New York and the District of Columbia, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: _____/2/20/____

Robert W. Alvord